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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Kuzan, et. al.  
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ARRAYS OF CELL COLONIES  
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EXAMINER: Vera Afremova  
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February 28, 2006

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 31, 2006,  
for which the initial term for response expired February 28, 2006.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.